

Message Notes

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*The Politics of Jesus
Our Focus in the Kingdom
Matthew 6:19-34
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- Jesus addresses 2 things that can _____ our _____ from Him.

Losing Focus

- ❶ Focusing on “_____” will keep us from living an _____ life.
- A treasure is _____ we place supreme _____ in. (Mt 22:37)
- Earthly treasures simply won't _____! (Mt 6:19; 1 Cor 3:10-15; Jms 5:1-3)

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. Matthew 6:20 (ESV)

- Our _____ is in _____, not on _____. (Ro 8:17; Phil 3:20; Gal 3:29)
 - Earthly treasure can _____ our _____. (Mt 6: 21, 24; 1 Tim 6:9-10)
 - It can _____ our spiritual _____. (Ecc 2:10-11; Acts 5:1-11; Rev 3:14-18)
- ❷ Focusing on _____ will also keep us from living an _____ life.

Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Matthew 6:25

- Worry means to be _____ in _____ directions. (Mk 3:25)
- These ___ illustrations show: our Father will _____ what we _____.

Finding Focus

- ❶ We can _____ God knows what we _____ & loves to _____.
- ❷ Learn to _____ our treasures away _____.

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. Matthew 6:33

- ❸ Only when you _____ Him _____ will you find true _____ & _____.

Confronting Worry in Prayer

- ❶ **Name It:** What assumptions am I making about this situation Father? What lies am I believing? What negative thoughts am I having?
- ❷ **Challenge It:** What are the reasons these thoughts/lies are not true? What does Your Word say about this?
- ❸ **Replace It:** What is true about this situation? What is true about what You say about me? How could I word this worry differently in light of Your truth and love?